

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Steven P. Hergott  
 SERIAL NO.: 10/659,650  
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 TITLE : METHOD AND MEANS FOR STUFFING NATURAL CASINGS  
 WITH SAUSAGE EMULSION  
 Group/A.U.: 3643  
 Conf. No. : 1820  
 Examiner : Richard Thomas Price Jr.  
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AMENDMENT

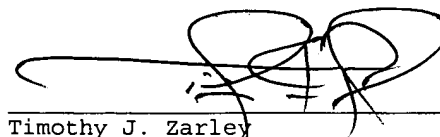
In response to the Final Office Action dated  
 May 17, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as  
 follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
 claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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